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**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

Applicants: Masamitsu TAKAHASHI et al.  
Application No.: 10/823,618  
Filed: April 14, 2003  
For: STORAGE SYSTEM, METHOD OF CONTROLLING STORAGE  
SYSTEM, AND STORAGE DEVICE  
Group: 2186  
Examiner: Not yet assigned

**REQUEST FOR RECONSIDERATION**

Commissioner for Patents  
P.O. Box 1450  
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April 19, 2005

Sir:

In response to the Decision on Petition dated March 14, 2005, reconsideration and withdrawal of the Decision is respectfully requested in view of the following remarks.